

Senator John Whitmire

Texas Senate District: 15



Arts and Cultural Grants

Listed by Texas Senate District

Fiscal Year 2015

14 Pews

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$1,250**

To support a four-day Theremin festival in the East Sunset Heights neighborhood of Houston.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$1,250**

To support a four-week documentary workshop for economically disadvantaged teens at Reagan High School in Houston.

Ars Lyrica Houston

Arts Respond Education **\$3,750**

To support free in-school music workshops and performances that introduce the harp and early music instruments to K-12th grade students in the greater Houston area.

Art League of Houston

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$13,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$2,000**

To support the Healing Art Program, which provides lunch and free weekly visual arts instruction for adults living with chronic disease and disability.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Galveston-Houston

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$864**

Artistic fee subsidy for ARTreach artists Marla Ward and Melba Lee to provide art programming for foster care children at Rio Bend Community facility in Richmond September 11-December 11, 2014. The artists will provide eight sessions of creative arts projects that explore cultures from around the world.

Center for Hearing and Speech

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$100**

Artistic fee subsidy for Dance of Asian America to perform in Houston on November 22, 2014. They will perform a 30 minute dance at the Via Colori Street Painting Festival. Performers join two hundred street painters for an outdoor celebration in Hermann Square Park.

Childrens Prison Arts Project

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$4,500**

To support the costs of workshops for girls at the Harris County Juvenile Detention Center titled "Act Healthy to Stay Healthy," which uses improvisational theater to allow participants to express their experiences and reduce risky behavior around teenage sex and pregnancy.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$825**

Artistic fee subsidy for Melissa Waddy-Thibodeaux to give three performances for youth at three public housing facilities in Houston on June 1-July 3, 2015.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,100**

Artistic fee subsidy for Melissa Waddy-Thibodeaux to perform in Houston on December 21, 2014-February 3, 2015. Ms. Waddy-Thibodeaux's four "Harriet Tubman" performances will be presented in three Harris County Juvenile facilities.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$2,000**

To support Art Behind Walls, a workshop-based intervention program in which instructors teach art skills and mentor juveniles at the Burnett-Bayland Rehabilitation Center in southwest Houston.

Contemporary Arts Museum Houston

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$16,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Da Camera of Houston

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$10,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$1,000**

To support Music Encounters, a series of TEKS-related music activities for Houston-area K-12th students.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$3,500**

To support presenting musical residencies by members of the Da Camera Young Artists Program at the Monarch School in Houston, serving children with neurological differences in developmentally specific programming.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$2,000**

To support a series of educational jazz and percussion workshops and performances for at-risk youth in the Boys and Girls Harbor of Morgan's Point, south of Houston.

Doss Advisory Council

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$148**

Artistic fee subsidy for Carranza Puppets to perform in Houston on July 23, 2015.

Express Children's Theatre

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$6,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$3,750**

To support the Children's Hilltop Theatre Festival at Miller Outdoor Theatre, where four different family-friendly plays are presented free of charge while generating income for artists and businesses.

Arts Respond Education **\$1,250**

To support free, educational theater performances for Houston area elementary school students.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$1,000**

To support Theatre from the Core, an afterschool program that uses theater to reinforce core-curriculum academic subjects at Title 1 schools in Houston and Spring Branch ISDs.

Foundation for Modern Music

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$1,250**

To support El Festival del Sabor, celebrating the music, cuisine, and dance of Venezuela, Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, Cuba and the Dominican Republic, in a one-day event in downtown Houston's Jones Plaza.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$3,500**

To support Salsa y Salud, a salsa dance event put on in partnership with health care organizations to promote physical fitness and health in Houston.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$750**

To support an anti-bullying campaign for students in Houston that encourages participation in the arts as a positive alternative to negative behaviors.

Garden Oaks Elementary/Houston ISD

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,950**

Artistic fee subsidy for Houston Boychoir artistic staff to teach two music residencies at Garden Oaks Montessori, September 2-October 23, 2014 and January 6-March 13, 2015. At the end of each residency, the children will have an opportunity to perform the songs they have learned. Garden Oak Elementary is a Title 1 school.

Glassell School of Art/MFAH

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$15,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Glasstire

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$13,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Hits Theatre (dba)

Arts Create - Year 2	\$6,000
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Arts Respond Economic Development	\$3,500
<i>To support productions of "The Addams Family" and "Les Miserables" that will involve young actors and attract new audiences to the Houston theater.</i>	
Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice	\$1,000
<i>To support afterschool and weekend classes in musical theater for underprivileged Houston-area K-12th grade students.</i>	

Hope Stone

Arts Create - Year 2	\$6,000
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Arts Respond Health & Human Services	\$3,000
<i>To support the Hope Project, which provides multidiscipline art experiences promoting mental and physical health to homeless people, seniors, veterans, people with disabilities, and cancer survivors.</i>	

Houston Arts Alliance

Arts Create - Year 2	\$6,000
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
★ Arts Create- Subgranting - Year 2	\$32,000
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in subgranting for arts activities conducted by organizations within the community served by the subgranter.</i>	
Arts Respond Performance Support	\$3,510
<i>Artistic fee subsidy for Forklift Danceworks to perform in Houston on October 20-25, 2014. Forklift Danceworks will direct "Afoot," a free outdoor performance featuring 150+ marching band members on October 25 as part of the "Transported and Renewed" Initiative directed by the Houston Arts Alliance. Forklift will also lead a week-long residency October 20-24 with the University of Houston, and the Austin and Milby high school bands in preparation.</i>	

Houston Center for Photography

Arts Create - Year 2	\$9,000
<i>To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.</i>	
Arts Respond Health & Human Services	\$3,250
<i>To support "Picture This!", an education outreach program in photography for children at the Texas Children's Hospital in Houston.</i>	
Designated Funding- Texas Women for the Arts	\$9,500
<i>Support to equip and overhaul the interior of the mobile photography education unit, the Flash Drive, to serve as a portable extension of the "Picture This!" outreach program.</i>	

Houston Children's Chorus

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$3,250**

To support a week-long residency that pairs the members of the Children's Chorus with underserved youth in Galveston for choral workshops.

Houston Cinema Arts Society

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$6,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$1,000**

To support in-school screenings of arts-related films for Houston-area K-12th grade students.

Houston Community College Northwest

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,400**

Artistic fee subsidy for Dallas Black Dance Theatre to perform at the Akwaaba Dance and Drum Festival in Houston, February 27-28, 2015. The Akwaaba Dance and Drum Festival is an annual event that includes dance classes, drum classes, performances, and a panel discussion for community college students and the local community.

Houston Early Music

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Houston International Dance Coalition

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$12,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$1,000**

To support the production and artistic costs associated with Choreographers' Forum: A Conversation, A Touring Taste of Dance Salad Festival, and a film and lecture program that are components of the Dance Salad Festival, attracting Houston residents and visitors.

Houston Masterworks Chorus

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Inprint

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$15,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

InterActive Theater

Commission Initiative – Target Foundation **\$4,000**

Support for TCA Touring Roster artist InterActive Theater to provide six performances for elementary school students in Lake Jackson, September 1-December 31, 2014.

Interactive Theater Company

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$9,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Kian Raissian

Commission Initiative- Young Masters FY2015 **\$2,500**

Support the costs of advanced arts training and other expenses for this Texas Young Master (second year of two)

Lawndale Art Center

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$9,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Luke Westerman

Commission Initiative- Young Masters FY2015 **\$2,500**

Support the costs of advanced arts training and other expenses for this Texas Young Master (second year of two)

McMullan Elementary/Channelview ISD

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$248**

Artistic fee subsidy for Houston Grand Opera's Opera to Go! to perform in Channelview on November 12, 2014. McMullan Elementary is a Title 1 school.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$100**

Artistic fee subsidy for Houston Grand Opera to perform the Storybook Opera program in Channelview on April 7-8, 2015. McMullan Elementary is a Title 1 school.

Menil Foundation

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,404**

Artistic fee subsidy for Riyaaḟ Qawwali to perform in Houston on October 20, 2014. As part of the "Experiments with Truth: Gandhi and Images of Nonviolence" exhibition, the Menil Collection wishes to present Riyaaḟ Qawwali, a Texas-based ensemble extending a 700-year tradition of spiritual music to reach new audiences and to include many faiths, languages, and poetic modes.

Museum of Fine Arts, Houston

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$21,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$4,000**

To support photography workshops for underserved high school classes in Houston's Third Ward.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$7,500**

To support the Art for the Mind and Spirit program at the Texas Children's Hospital, Texas Children's Cancer & Hematology Centers, the Ronald McDonald House and Shriners Hospital for Children.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,000**

Artistic fee subsidy for CORE Performance Company to perform original choreography based on two exhibits at the museum in Houston on April 16, 2015.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$5,750**

To support art and digital media workshops for Houston area youth ages 13-18.

Music Doing Good

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$7,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Musiq

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$6,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$1,000**

To support in-school voice lesson residencies for Houston-area high school students.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$3,500**

To support the production of "Ulysses, Home," a chamber opera presented in context of the veteran experience, followed by an educational panel discussion regarding PTSD, for veterans and general audiences.

NobleMotion Dance

Arts Respond Natural Resources & Agriculture **\$2,750**

To support "Storm Front," a dance and technology performance with a pre-show lecture and discussion to build community awareness about environmental issues.

Opera in the Heights

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$8,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Several Dancers Core

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$5,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$3,750**

To support the Dynamic X-Change Healing Arts Program, which provides dance and creative movement instruction to children at the Houston Area Women's Shelter.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$1,000**

To support the Dynamic X-Change Healing Arts Program, which provides children's expressive movement workshops for students with neurological differences at Houston's Monarch School.

Sheldon Early Childhood Academy/Sheldon ISD

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$278**

Artistic fee subsidy for Carranza Puppets to perform in Houston on May 14, 2015. Sheldon Early Childhood Academy is a Title 1 school.

Southwest Alternate Media Project

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$9,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Stages Repertory Theatre

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$12,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Stevens Elementary/Houston ISD

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$248**

Artistic fee subsidy for Houston Grand Opera's Opera to Go! to perform in Houston on October 6, 2014.

Texas Medical Center Orchestra (formerly Doctors Orchestra)

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$4,000**

To support concerts across the Medical Center, including Methodist Hospital, bringing music to patients and health professionals who may not otherwise attend.

Uptown Dance Company

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$3,500**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Virtuosi of Houston

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$6,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Voices Breaking Boundaries

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$7,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services **\$3,250**

To support a series of art workshops combined with healing techniques and cultural support for Spanish-speaking mothers from Northside Houston and Gulfton.

Writers In The Schools

Arts Create - Year 2 **\$16,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$2,500**

To support the artistic, production, and marketing costs associated with expanding the WITS Performance Program and its city-wide slam series for Houston youth.

Arts Respond Education **\$5,750**

To support a museum visit/writing workshop for underserved students in Houston area Title 1 schools.

Arts Respond Health & Human Services

\$6,750

To support providing creative writing workshops for young patients at the MD Anderson Children's Cancer Hospital in Houston.

Arts Respond Natural Resources & Agriculture

\$1,000

To support the Environmental Writing Project, which brings students to a local park or natural habitat and has them work with writers and a naturalist to create nature writing in Houston.

Number of Awards: 84

Award Total: \$431,425